GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Agricultural Marketing Department – Cotton Marketing Season 2017-18 - Action Plan for procurement of cotton by the Cotton Corporation of India in the Market Yards for the season 2017-18 and Constitution of District Level Committee to oversee the MSP operations of cotton for the year 2017-18 – Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION (AM-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 558 Dated: 13-09-2017

Read:-

From Special Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur, Letter No.MI/P-1417/2017, dt.23.8.2017.

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ORDER:-

The Special Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur has prepared action plan for procurement of cotton by the Cotton Corporation of India in the Market Yards for the season 2017-18 and requested to approve the action plan in order to strength the procurement operations in Market Yards for online payment of sale amounts to the farmers bank accounts and also requested to constitute the Committee for the said purpose at District Level.

2. The Government hereby approve the following action plan prepared by the Special Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur in the reference read above in connection with procurement operations in Market Yards for strengthening the system and online payment of sale amount to the farmers bank accounts:-

1. No cotton purchases shall take place outside the market yard.

2. In all the 43 Centers Tata Consultancy Services software shall be used for MSP operations.

3. Use of Aadhaar cared for identification of farmer.

4. Regarding certification of cotton crop grown, extent cultivated etc., the details available on Aadhaar based e-crop booking of Agriculture Department. The Agriculture Department`s e-crop booking is linked with the Tata Consultancy Services software for compatibility for accessing data of cotton farmers.

5. If the details of Owner / Tenant who brings the produce to the market yard is not available on Aadhaar based e-crop booking of Agriculture Department, then the system generated Aadhaar based crop cultivation certificate issued by the Agriculture Officers of the Agricultural Department will be insisted.

6. Documents to be produced by the farmer for sale of cotton in the market yard.

    a) Photo copy of Aadhaar card
    b) Photo copy of Pattadhar Pass Book
    c) Photo copy of the 1st and 2nd pages of Bank Pass Book of farmer (with details of Account Number, bank name, branch and IFSC Code etc.)

7. Online payment of sale proceeds to the farmer bank account by the Cotton Corporation of India.

8. Wide publicity in villages regarding FAQ standards / quality parameters of cotton and the MSP rate fixed by the Government.

9. Ensuring fire fighting arrangements to prevent fire accidents.

10. Insurance of all the structures in the market yard including stocks of cotton.

11. Availability of sufficient no. of equipment such as moisture meters, tarpaulins, certified electronic weighing scales in working condition.

12. Deployment of required no. of staff from other Agricultural Market Committees to the cotton markets during the season.

13. The software services of Tata Consultancy Services during this cotton season 2017- 18 is continued as was done during 2015-16 and 2016-17.

14. The Government Constitute the following District Level Committee with the following members to monitor the cotton MSP operations for the year 2017-18 and to take necessary steps for proper conduct of operations:-

    1. Joint Collector – Chairman
    2. Assistant Director of Marketing – Convener
    3. Joint Director of Agriculture – Member
    4. Addl. Superintendent of Police – Member
    5. District Fire Officer – Member
    6. Representatives of the CCI (Buyers) – Member
    7. Deputy Commissioner, Transport – Member
    8. Representatives of the Cotton Trade - Member

3. The Special Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY THE ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.RAJSEKHAR
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Special Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
The Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.
The Joint Collectors concerned.
The District Fire Officers concerned.
The Assistant Director of Marketing (Concerned) through the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing
The Joint Director of Agriculture through the Commissioner and Director of Agriculture.
The Representative of the CCI (Buyers) through the Commissioner& Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
All Deputy Commissioners, Transport Department concerned.
The Representatives of the Cotton trade through the Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
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The P.S. to Special Chief Secretary to Govt. (Agri., AM&C), (FAC), A&C Dept.
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